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Title: SUSTAINED RELEASE DRUG COMPOSITIONS

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date  
under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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